

SWAIN COUNTY, NC

Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1997	1992	1987
Farms			
Number	77	80	79
Acreage	6,624	5,897	7,258
Average size (acres)	86	74	92
Median size (acres)	56	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	191,647	165,992	152,785
Machinery/equip (dollars)	24,003	32,299	20,196
Cropland (acres)			
Total	1,890	1,942	2,088
Harvested	820	947	877
Irrigated	15	95	102
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	2,322	2,010	2,048
(dollars avg. per farm)	30,158	25,127	25,928
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	9,949	4,812	4,023
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	601	1,081	1,034
Beef cows	277	D	D
Milk cows	3	D	D
Hogs and pigs	D	19	D
Sheep and lambs	D	0	0
Layers 13 wks or older	61	D	240
Broilers and chicken (sold)	0	0	0
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Com, grain or seed	33	30	35
Com, silage or green chop	N	N	N
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	0	0	0
Barley	N	N	N
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	0	0	0
Tobacco	D	41	39
Soybeans	0	0	0
Dry edible beans, excl lin as	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl sweet potatoes	N	N	N
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	0	0	0
Hay-alfalfa	583	723	502
Vegetables			
Number of farms	N	N	N
Acreage	N	N	N

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Orchards			
Number of farms	N	N	N
Acreage	N	N	N

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-W withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture